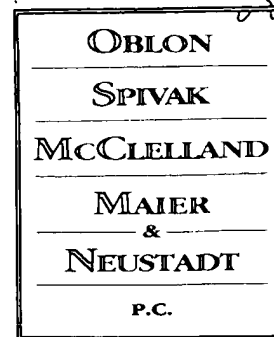


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Attn: Frank Lebron
Refund Department

Re: Deposit Account #150030

Dear Mr. Lebron:

Enclosed is a copy of page 7 of our Deposit Account Statement of April 30, 2003. Please review the highlighted charge on **Serial Number 09/744,978 in the amount of \$410.00** on fee code #1252.

This charge appears to be in error. A response to a restriction requirement was due to be filed **three months** from the mailing date of the Office communication. Since the mailing date of the communication was January 28, 2003, **the response was not due until April 28, 2003. A timely response was filed April 28, 2003.** An extension of time was not necessary.

Please investigate this charge and **kindly refund \$410.00 to Deposit Account #150030.** Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 703-412-6296.

Sincerely,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra J. Noel".

Debra J. Noel
Accounting Department

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